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THE FOLLOWING IS THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE VERBATIM TEXT OF
REMARKS MADE BY PRIME MINISTER ERIC GAIRY ON THE BELIZE
QUESTION:

I WISH TO REITERATE MY COUNTRY'S IRREVOCABLE STAND ON THE PRIN-
CIPLE OF TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY, AND IN THIS CONTEXT I URGE THE UNITED
NATIONS TO TAKE IMMEDIATE STEPS TO IMPLEMENT RESOLUTION 1514 (XV)
AND TO ENSURE THE EMERGENCE OF THE STATE OF BELIZE FROM
COLONIAL RULE TO FULLY - FLEDGED INDEPENDENCE FOR
ITS PEOPLE WHOSE PROTRACTED ASPIRATIONS HAVE BEEN FRUSTRATED BY
POWERS AND CIRCUMSTANCES BEYOND THEIR CONTROL.

THIS DOES NOT NECESSARILY MEAN THAT GRENADA IS OPPOSED TO
NEGOTIATIONS. BUT, COMMITTED TO THE PRINCIPLE THAT DEMANDS FREEDOM
FOR THE PEOPLES OF THE WORLD, AND THINKING FIRST AND FOREMOST OF
THE PEOPLE OF BELIZE ABOVE ANYTHING
ELSE, AND LOOKING OBJECTIVELY AT THE UNITED NATIONS OBLIGATIONS
TO THE PEOPLES OF THE WORLD, ONE CANNOT HESITATE TO URGE
THAT THE PEOPLE OF BELIZE SHOULD BE GIVEN THE RIGHT TO ENJOY
THE FULLNESS OF INDEPENDENCE WITH ALL ITS ATTENDANT RIGHTS
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AND PRIVILEGES, AS WELL AS ITS OBLIGATIONS. SHOULD WE

IN THE UNITED NATIONS SHIRK OUR RESPONSIBILITY UNDER THE UNITED NATIONS

CHARTER, THE CONSEQUENCES MUST INEVITABLY BE NOT ONLY A BURDEN
ON OUR CONSCIENCE BUT ALSO A POTENTIAL DANGER TO INTERNATIO-
NAL PEACE. AND SO WE DEMAND FULL INDEPENDENCE FOR THE PEOPLE
OF BELIZE NOW, AND I REPEAT, INDEPENDENCE NOW.
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